

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

**Please replace the paragraph at page 25, from line 2 through line 8, with the following paragraph:**

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II: Summary of important points in the present invention

(1) The fermented wheat extract itself as the substance having the immunopotentiation action produced by fusion of wheat, *Pantoea agglomerans* which is the symbiotic bacterium therewith and the fermented products by a combination thereof are the subject matter is novel, but the present invention is not limited thereto.

**Please replace the paragraph bridging from page 34, line 9 through page 35, line 4, with the following paragraph:**

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As is evident from the above results, it is obvious that the fermented wheat extract is different from the limulus positive glycolipid and the low molecular weight lipopolysaccharide in protein content, sugar content, nucleic acid content (except the limulus positive glycolipid because of no data), content of the limulus positive substance and iodine-starch reaction, and it is clear that the present substance is novel. The above results have been simply summarized in Table 7. That is, the fermented plant extract in the present Examples is novel which is different from the limulus positive glycolipid and the low molecular weight lipopolysaccharide in that it exhibits the following physicochemical properties. The fermented wheat extract exhibits protein content of 5 to 15%, sugar content of 20 to 45%, nucleic acid content of 10 to 35% and limulus positive substance content of 10 to 40%, and is positive in iodine-starch reaction, and exhibits the ability of macrophage activation even with the presence of polymyxin B.